

Re: Attorney Dock No. HCM-019US
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REMARKS

The foregoing amendments remove multiple claim dependencies, thereby addressing minor matters of form. The foregoing amendments introduce no new matter and are not related to issues of patentability.

Entry of the foregoing Preliminary Amendment is respectfully in order and requested.

If there are any questions regarding the amendments to the application, we invite the Examiner to call Applicant's representative at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Version With Markings To Show Changes Made

Please amend claims 4, 8-9, 11 and 13-15 as follows:

4. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~, in which the chamber is formed from a pair of side walls spaced apart by a top plate.
8. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~, in which the baffle tapers towards the inlet port.
9. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~, in which the chamber includes a pair of tapering side plates adjacent each side wall to compress the air entering in successive wave troughs.
11. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~, in which an internal ramp is provided between the inlet port and the manifold.
13. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~, in which the air outlet port leads off the manifold adjacent the baffle.
14. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~, in which a wave water outlet is provided in the chamber adjacent the baffle.
15. (Amended) Apparatus as claimed in ~~any preceding claim 1~~, in which means are provided to adjust the buoyancy of the chamber to adjust its height in the water to suit different wave conditions.